Root Server System Governance Working Group
Teleconference #7 | 28 May 2020 | 22:00 UTC

ATTENDANCE

RSS GWG
Ted Hardie       IAB Representative
Hiro Hotta       RSO Representative
Geoff Huston    IAB Representative
Lito Ibarra      Alternate Liaison from the ICANN Board
Peter Janssen   ccTLD Registries Representative
Lars-Johan Liman RSO Representative
Kurt Pritz       gTLD Registries Representative
Naela Sarras    Liaison from the IANA
Tripti Sinha    Liaison from the ICANN Board
Brad Verd       RSO Representative
Duane Wessels   Liaison from Root Zone Maintainer
Hanyu Yang      gTLD Registries Representative

ICANN org
Xavier Calvez
Kim Davies
Paul Hoffman
Becky Nash
Wendy Profit
Carlos Reyes
Mary Wong

Observers
Yaxian Li
Akinori Maemura ICANN Board

Absences
Joe Abley       SSAC Representative
Luis Espinoza   ccTLD Registries Representative

MINUTES

Call to Order
Ted Hardie called the teleconference to order at 22:02 UTC and reviewed the proposed agenda. There were no objections to the agenda.
Administration
Carlos Reyes reviewed the draft minutes of teleconference #6 on 14 May 2020. There were no objections to publish the minutes.

ACTION ITEM: Carlos Reyes to publish the approved minutes on the RSS GWG workspace.

The RSS GWG reviewed the draft of its first report to the ICANN Board Technical Committee (BTC). Kurt Pritz expressed concerns about references to the financial model of the future organization. Geoff Huston provided context about the costs associated with root service to clarify his prior remarks on the topic. Lars-Johan Liman agreed that exposing actual costs was important. Tripti Sinha noted that root service started as an experiment and has grown with the Internet. Kurt Pritz agreed with the views and suggested that the particular sentence should be rewritten to convey more nuance.

Hanyu Yang noted that there are currently no contracts for root service and suggested organizations like the Customer Standing Committee or Root Zone Evolution Review Committee could ensure changes to root service are implemented by root server operators.

Lars-Johan Liman and Tripti Sinha discussed the need for a defined process to allow root server operators to voluntarily retire.

Brad Verd suggested alternative phrasing. Ted Hardie noted that the discussion had not yet reached consensus and asked the RSS GWG members to review the draft report.

ACTION ITEM: RSS GWG to review draft report to the BTC.

Carlos Reyes reviewed the upcoming schedule of RSS GWG teleconferences noting the overlap with ICANN68 and potential opportunity for joint sessions with other ICANN community groups. Ted Hardie asked the RSS GWG to consider this topic on the mailing list and suggested that given the state of RSS GWG discussions, joint sessions were likely not needed and the regular cadence should continue.

ACTION ITEM: RSS GWG to discuss its teleconference schedule and ICANN68 schedule on the mailing list.

Overview of Public Technical Identifiers
Kim Davies briefed the RSS GWG about Public Technical Identifiers (PTI), an affiliate of ICANN org that provides the IANA functions since 2016. The discussion included an overview of three core functional areas of protocol parameters, number resources, domain names; accountability mechanisms; performance reporting; stakeholder relationships, including root server operational needs; administrative structure; and the team responsible for this work.
Geoff Huston asked about the role of PTI to inform policy proposals that impact its operations. Kim Davies noted that PTI has been invited to share its operational perspectives within the parameters of its mandate.

**Strategy, Architecture, and Policy Function**  
**ACTION ITEM:** Ted Hardie to begin the discussion about SAPF on the mailing list.

**Any Other Business**  
There were no additional agenda items.

**Adjournment**  
Ted Hardie adjourned the teleconference at 23:00 UTC.